

ANNOTATED CHECKLIST OF THE VASCULAR FLORA OF THE
BEECH CREEK UNIT OF THE BIG THICKET NATIONAL PRESERVE,
TYLER COUNTY, TEXAS

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ABSTRACT

An annotated, vouchered checklist is provided for the vascular plant taxa of the 2,059 hectare Beech Creek Unit, Big Thicket National Preserve, Tyler County, southeastern Texas. Documented in the unit are 470 taxa of which 52 taxa (11%) are exotics.

RESUMEN

Se aporta un catálogo con anotaciones y testigos de los taxa de plantas vasculares de las 2,059 hectáreas de la unidad Beech Creek, Big Thicket National Preserve, Tyler County, sureste de Texas. Los taxa documentados en la unidad son 470 de los que 52 (11%) son exóticos.

INTRODUCTION

This manuscript is the 5th part of an intended inventory, based on voucher specimens, of the vascular flora of the Big Thicket National Preserve, southeastern Texas. In 4 previous papers, we provided an annotated checklist of the Hickory Creek, Turkey Creek, Big Sandy Creek, and Lance Rosier units (MacRoberts et al. 2002; Brown et al. 2005, 2006a, 2006b). In this paper, we provide an annotated checklist of the Beech Creek Unit.

SITE AND METHODS

The Big Thicket is located mostly within the longleaf pine region of the West Gulf Coastal Plain in southeastern Texas (Ajilvsgi 1979; Harcombe & Marks 1979; Watson 1979; Marks & Harcombe 1981; Harcombe et al. 1993; Diggs et al. 2006 and references therein). The Big Thicket National Preserve consists of 12 units scattered over 7 Texas counties. The units range from 222 to 10,100 hectares and total about 34,000 hectares (Peacock 1994). The Beech Creek Unit consists of 2,059 hectares and is located in western Tyler County (Fig. 1). It is relatively flat with poor drainage over most of the area. Elevation ranges from about 43 meters to 62 meters. Little Beech Creek and Beech Creek run through the unit. The Beech Creek Unit was chosen for inclusion in the Big Thicket National Preserve because of its extensive stands of beech forest (Ajilvsgi 1979; Harcombe & Marks 1979; Watson 1979; Marks & Harcombe 1981). It is dominated by lower slope hardwood-pine forest (mesic lower slopes and terraces), with lesser amounts of baygall, mid-slope oak-pine forest, floodplain hardwood-pine forest (mesic stream bottoms), and floodplain hardwood forest (seasonally flooded river floodplain) (Harcombe & Marks 1979; Marks & Harcombe 1981; Van Kley 2006). A map of community types can be found in Harcombe and Marks (1979). Fire suppression over the past 30 years has resulted in extensive midstory development and thus reduction of herbaceous vegetation that




FIG. 1. Location of the Beech Creek Unit, Big Thicket National Preserve, Texas.

is adapted to frequent fires. Hurricane Rita, a category 3 hurricane, passed over the unit on 24 September 2005 damaging and toppling thousands of trees. It will probably take decades for this litter to decompose. Details about soils, topography, and climate can be found in Deshotels (1978); Watson (1979, 1982, 2006); Harcombe and Marks (1979); Marks and Harcombe (1981); and Diggs et al. (2006).

Like most units of the Big Thicket National Preserve, the Beech Creek Unit has not been the subject of a detailed floristic inventory.

Larry Brown collected 290 specimens during 9 field days beginning 9 November 2006 and ending 17 October 2007. The MacRobertses collected 154 specimens during 4 field days in 2004 and 1 day in 2007. Suzanne Walker collected 101 specimens during 2 days in 2004 and 1 additional day in 2007. Sandi Elsik and Warren Pruess together gathered 82 specimens during 2005. Geraldine Watson collected 25 specimens

over several years in the late 1970s and early 1980s. Warren Pruess collected another 11 specimens over a 2 year period. Other collectors totaled 12 specimens. We conducted a search of the Texas A&M University (TAMU) herbarium consortium data base (<http://www.csdl.tamu.edu/FLORA/tracy/main/html/>) for additional specimens but found no additional taxa not reported here.

Because our purpose was to produce a list of taxa known to occur on the Beech Creek Unit, a vouchered specimen was considered to be the only evidence acceptable for inclusion in the list. In all, 675 herbarium specimens form the data for this report. All specimens have been annotated by Larry Brown.

In most cases, nomenclature follows Jones et al. (1997), Kartesz (1999), Turner et al. (2003), and Diggs et al. (2006). In cases of multiple collections, no more than 4 are listed for each taxon.

RESULTS

The following is an annotated list of the Beech Creek Unit taxa. Abbreviations used are given below.

GW = Geraldine Watson. Her collections are at TAES.

JL = Joe Liggio. His collections are at TAES.

LB = Larry Brown. His specimens are at TAES.

MM = Barbara and Michael MacRoberts. Their specimens are at TAES.

PH = Paul Harcombe. His collections are at TAES.

PM = Phil Malnasse. His collections are at TAES.

RH = Roland Harper (grandson of LB).

SEWP = Sandra Elsik and Warren Pruess. Their specimens are at TAES.

SH = Shawn Harper (grandson of LB).

SW = Suzanne Walker. Her specimens are at TAES.

WP = Warren Pruess. His specimens are at TAES.

WRC = Bill Carr. His collections are at TEX/LL.

* = exotic

+ = see note at end of list.

Acanthaceae

Justicia ovata (Walter) Lindau var. *lanceolata* (Chapm.) R.W. Long, SW 67, 46

Ruellia caroliniensis (J.F. Gmel.) Steud., SEWPLB 488; LBSH 32151

Ruellia humilis Nutt., MM 7150

Ilex coriacea (Pursh) Chapm., SW 012

Ilex longipes Chapm. ex Trel., PH 002

Ilex opaca Aiton, MM 7056

Ilex vomitoria Sol. in Aiton, MM 7058

Araceae

Arisaema triphyllum (L.) Schott, SW 10, 31

Araliaceae

Aralia spinosa L., SEWP 245

Arecaceae

Sabal minor (Jacq.) Pers., MM 7131

Aristolochiaceae

Aristolochia serpentaria L., SW 05; GW 2261

Asclepiadaceae

Asclepias perennis Walter, SEWP 230

Asclepias variegata L., LBRH 32061

Aspleniaceae

Asplenium platyneuron (L.) Britton, Sterns, & Poggenb., WP 116

Asteraceae

Ambrosia artemisiifolia L., MM 7198

Ambrosia trifida L., SEWP 265

Baccharis halimifolia L., LBRH 32071; SW 105

Bidens aristosa (Michx.) Britton, LB 33034

Bidens bipinnata L., SEWP 252; LB 33030

Bidens frondosa L., LB 33003

Boltonia diffusa Ell., MM 7199

+*Bradburia pilosa* (Nutt.) Semple, SEWPLB 491, 501; MM 7197

Cirsium horridulum Michx., SEWP 240; SW 111

Conoclinium coelestinum (L.) DC., SW 44b; LB 33039

Conyza bonariensis (L.) Cronquist, LB 32466

Conyza canadensis (L.) Cronquist, SEWP 335; LBJL 32616a

Coreopsis lanceolata L., SW 063

Coreopsis tinctoria Nutt., SEWP 253

Aceraceae

Acer rubrum L., MM 7078

Agavaceae

**Yucca aloifolia* L., LB 31939; SEWP 272

Yucca louisianensis Trel., MM 7141

Anacardiaceae

Rhus copallina L., SEWP 249

Toxicodendron radicans (L.) Kuntze, SEWP 337; LB 32783

Toxicodendron vernix (L.) Kuntze, SEWP 341

Annonaceae

Asimina parviflora (Michx.) Dunal, SW 03; LB 31996, 32178; MM 7097

Apiaceae

Centella erecta (L.f.) Fernald, SW 03

Chaerophyllum tainturieri Hook. var. *tainturieri*, WP 113

Cicuta maculata L., SEWP 414

**Cyclospermum leptophyllum* (Pers.) Sprague ex Britton & P. Wilson, SW 58

Eryngium prostratum Nutt. ex DC., SW 68

Hydrocotyle verticillata Thunb., SEWP 262; LB 32783

Ptilimnium capillaceum (Michx.) Raf., LB 31994; LBSH 32122

Sanicula canadensis L., SW 71

Sanicula smallii E.P. Bicknell, WP 111

Apocynaceae

Trachelospermum difforme (Walter) A. Gray, LB 31998

Aquifoliaceae

Ilex ambigua (Michx.) Torr., PH 001

- Elephantopus carolinianus* Raeusch., SW 74; LBJL 32959
Elephantopus nudatus A. Gray, LB 33002
Elephantopus tomentosus L., LB 28598a, 28353; SEWP 327; LBJL 32616
Erechtites hieraciifolia (L.) Raf. ex DC., SEWP 342
Erigeron strigosus Muhl. ex Willd., MM 7139; LBRH 32060
Eupatorium capillifolium (Small) Lam., PM 03; LB 32457
Eupatorium lancifolium (Torr. & A. Gray) Small, LBSEWP 31899; MM 7187
Eupatorium mohrii Greene, SEWPLB 496
Eupatorium perfoliatum L., SW 83; MM 7147
Eupatorium x pinnatifidum Elliott, LB 33004
Eupatorium rotundifolium L., SW 39a; LB 33039
Eupatorium semiserratum DC., LB 32491
Eupatorium serotinum Michx., SW 43; PM 02; LB 33016
Euthamia leptocephala (Torr. & A. Gray) Greene ex Porter & Britton, LBSEWP 31894
**Facelis retusa* (Lam.) Sch. Bip., LBRH 32048; MM 7683
Gaillardia pulchella Foug. var. *pulchella*, SEWP 255
Gamochaeta coarctata (Willd.) Kerguelen, MM 7106
Gamochaeta purpurea (L.) Cabrera, SW 061
Helenium amarum (Raf.) H. Rock var. *amarum*, MM 7135
Helianthus angustifolium L., SEWP 403b; LB 33023
Hieracium gronovii L., LB 32494
Hymenopappus artemisiifolius DC. var. *artemisiifolius*, MM 7148
**Hypochaeris microcephala* (Sch. Bip.) Cabrera var. *albiflora* (Kuntze) Cabrera, LBRH 32075; MM 7661
Krigia cespitosa (Raf.) Chambers, LB 32001; LBRH 32051
Krigia virginica (L.) Willd., MM 7678
Mikania scandens (L.) Willd., SW 33, 86
Lactuca canadensis L., LB 32166
Pluchea camphorata (L.) DC., MM 7211, 7212; LB 32804
Pluchea foetida (L.) DC., MM 7236; SW 92
Pyrrhopappus carolinianus (Nutt.) Wooten & Standl., LB 32462
Pyrrhopappus pauciflorus (D. Don) DC., WP 119; SW 125
Rudbeckia hirta L., MM 7112; LBRH 32074
Solidago altissima L., SW 100; LB 33015
Solidago ludoviciana (A. Gray) Small, SEWPLB 502
Solidago rugosa Mill. var. *aspera* (Aiton) Fernald, LBSEWP 31887; SEWP 331; LB 33024
**Sonchus asper* (L.) Hill, LB 32006; SEWP 544; SW 113
Symphyotrichum dumosum (L.) G.L. Nesom, MM 7206
Symphyotrichum lateriflorum (L.) A. & D. Love, WP 120; MM 7668; GW 2248; SEWPLB 481
Symphyotrichum racemosum (Elliott) G.L. Nesom, LBSEWP 31886; LB 33001
- Berberidaceae**
Podophyllum peltatum L., MM 7109
- Betulaceae**
Alnus serrulata (Aiton) Willd., GW 2250
Betula nigra L., SEWP 360
Carpinus caroliniana Walter, MM 7083
Ostrya virginiana (Mill.) K. Koch, MM 7126
- Bignoniaceae**
Bignonia capreolata L., MM 7065
Campsipradicans (L.) Seem. ex Bureau, SW 02, 49

- Blechnaceae**
Woodwardia areolata (L.) T. Moore, SW 47; MM 7659
Woodwardia virginica (L.) Small, MM 7238; LB 33036
- Brassicaceae**
**Cardamine hirsuta* L., LB 31943
Cardamine parviflora L. var. *arenicola* (Britt.) Schultz, LB 31942
- Bromeliaceae**
Tillandsia usneoides (L.) L., SEWP 395
- Buddlejaceae**
Polypteron procumbens L., PM 04; LBJL 32601
- Burmanniaceae**
Apteris aphylla Barnhart., MM 7224; SW 88; LB 33009
Burmannia biflora L., SEWP 422
- Callitrichaceae**
Callitricha peploides Nutt., LB 32017
- Campanulaceae**
Lobelia cardinalis L., SW 84; MM 7209
Lobelia appendiculata A. DC., MM 7673; LBSH 32149
Lobelia puberula Michx., SW 34; GW 2249, 2336; LB 31934
Triodanis biflora (Ruiz & Pavon) Greene, LB 32009; LBRH 32059; MM 7674
Triodanis perfoliata (L.) Nieuwl. LBRH 32059
**Wahlenbergia marginata* (Thunb.) A. DC., WP 121; LB 32487; SW 110
- Caprifoliaceae**
**Lonicera japonica* Thunb., MM 7162
Sambucus nigra L. subsp. *canadensis* (L.) R. Bolli, SW 60, BT050
Viburnum acerifolium L., SW 57
Viburnum dentatum L., SW 48
Viburnum nudum L. var. *nudum*, GW 2260b; LB 32170
- Celastraceae**
Euonymus americanus L., SEWP 418
- Cistaceae**
Lechea mucronata Raf., GW 06b; PM 06
Lechea tenuifolia Michx., LBRH 32058
- Clethraceae**
Clethra alnifolia L., SW 20; MM 7119
- Commelinaceae**
Commelina erecta L., LBSH 32126
Commelina virginica L., MM 7155; LBSH 32120
- Convolvulaceae**
Dichondra carolinensis Michx., MM 7161
Ipomoea cordatotriloba Dennst var. *cordatotriloba*, SEWP 350; LB 33031
Ipomoea pandurata (L.) G. Mey., LB 32493
Jacquemontia tamnifolia (L.) Griseb., SEWPLB 500
- Cornaceae**
Cornus florida L., MM 7087
Nyssa aquatica L., SEWP 362
Nyssa biflora Walter, SEWP 397
Nyssa sylvatica Marsh., SEWP 275; MM 7081

Crassulaceae

Penthorum sedoides L., LB 32805

Cupressaceae

Juniperus virginiana L. var. *virginiana*, MM 7076; LB 33032
Taxodium distichum (L.) L.C. Rich., SW 42

Cucurbitaceae

**Citrullus lanatus* (Thunb.) Matsum & Nakai LB 33011

Cuscutaceae

Cuscuta compacta Juss. ex Choisy, MM 7231; LB 33007

Cyperaceae

Carex albicans Willd. ex Spreng. var. *australis* (L.H. Bailey) Rettig, LB 31936

Carex brevior (Dewey) Mack. ex Lunell, SW 127

Carex cherokeensis Schwein., LB 32004

Carex complanata Torr. & Hook., LB 31953, 31989; MM 7677

Carex corrugata Fernald, LB 32016

Carex debilis Michx. var. *debilis*, MM 7231

Carex digitalis Schkuhr ex Willd. var. *floridana* (L.H. Bailey) Naczi & Bryson, LB 31947, 32007; LBSH 32133; MM 7672

Carex flaccosperma Dewey, LB 32014, 32015

Carex frankii Kunth, LB 32175

Carex glaucescens Elliott, MM 7210; LBJL 32600

Carex intumescens Rudge, LBRH 32046; MM 7663; SW 129; LB 32065

Carex joori L.H. Bailey, SEWP 351

Carex leptalea Wahlenb subsp. *harperi* (Fernald) W. Stone, LBSEWP 31889; LB 32023

Carex lurida Wahlenb., LBSH 32148; LBJL 32618; SW 119

+*Carex section ovales*, LB 31987

Cyperus croceus Vahl, LBRH 32067

**Cyperus entrerianus* Boeck., SEWPLB 503

Cyperus erythrorhizos Muhl., LB 32794

Cyperus haspan L., SEWP 356; LB 32481

Cyperus odoratus L., SEWP 400

Cyperus pseudovegetus Steud., LB 32165

Cyperus virens Michx., MM 7666

Eleocharis microcarpa Torr., LBSH 32134a

Eleocharis tuberculosa (Michx.) Roem. & Schult., LBSEWP 31895; MM 7233; LBRH 32047; MM 7662

Kyllinga odorata Vahl, LB 32484

Kyllinga pumila Michx., SEWP 399

Rhynchospora caduca Elliott, MM 7127; LBSH 32150

Rhynchospora corniculata (Lam.) A. Gray, SEWP 231

+*Rhynchospora debilis* Gale, LBSH 32140; LBRH 32087

Rhynchospora ellottii A. Dietr., LBSH 32214

Rhynchospora fascicularis (Michx.) Vahl, LB 32479

Rhynchospora globularis (Chapm.) Small var. *globularis* LBSH 32132, 32220

Rhynchospora glomerata (L.) Vahl, SW 98; LB 32472, 33019

Rhynchospora inexpansa (Michx.) Vahl, MM 7118

Rhynchospora mixta Britton, MM 7074; LB 33038

Rhynchospora plumosa Elliott, LB 32022; LBRH 32078; MM 7676; SW 109

Rhynchospora pusilla Chapm. ex M.A. Curtis, LBSH 3214

Scirpus cyperinus L., LB 32164

Scleria oligantha Michx., LB 31995; MM 7671

Scleria trigloomerata Michx., MM 7192; LB 32019; LBJL 32593; SW 120

Cyrillaceae

Cyrilla racemiflora L., SW 22; MM 7121

Dennstaedtiaceae

Pteridium aquilinum (L.) Kuhn, SW 96; MM 7133

Dioscoreaceae

Dioscorea villosa L., GW 2288

Droseraceae

Drosera brevifolia Pursh, SW 27; MM 7654

Dryopteridaceae

Athyrium filix-femina (L.) Roth var. *asplenoides* (Michx.) Farw., MM 7153

Onoclea sensibilis L., MM 7228; LBSH 32127

Polystichum acrostichoides (Michx.) Schott, LB 31937

Ebenaceae

Diospyros virginiana L., LB 32482

Ericaceae

Leucothoe racemosa (L.) A. Gray, SEWP 359

Lyonia ligustrina (L.) DC., MM 7123

Lyonia mariana (L.) D. Don, SEWP 416

Monotropa uniflora L., SW 89; MM 7117; LB 33035

Rhododendron canescens (Michx.) Sweet, WP 112

Rhododendron viscosum (L.) Torr., SW 18; MM 7122; LBSH 32129

Vaccinium arboreum Marshall, PH 005

Vaccinium corymbosum L., SW 19, 130, 45; LB 31950

Euphorbiaceae

Acalypha gracilens A. Gray, SW 99; GW 2255

Chamaesyce maculata (L.) Small, SEWP 247

Chamaesyce nutans (Lag.) Small, SEWP 251

Croton capitatus Michx., MM 7200

Croton glandulosus L. var. *septentrionalis* Muell.-Arg., SEWP 270

Croton monanthogynus Michx., SEWP 259

Croton willdenowii G.L. Webster, LB 32490

Euphorbia corollata L., LB 32807

Euphorbia dentata Michx., SEWP 254; LB 32460

Phyllanthus caroliniensis Walter, LB 32475

**Phyllanthus urinaria* L., MM 7111

Sebastiania fruticosa (W. Bartram) Fernald, SW 14

**Triadica sebifera* (L.) Small, SW 01

Fabaceae

**Albizia julibrissin* Durazz., MM 7107

Centrosema virginianum (L.) Benth, LBJH 32604

Cercis canadensis L. var. *canadensis*, SEWP 271

Chamaecrista fasciculata (Michx.) Greene, SEWP 276; LBJL 32605

Chamaecrista nictitans (L.) Moench, LB 32461, 32179, 32486; 32806

Crotalaria sagittalis L., SW 65; LB 32488

Desmodium ciliare (Muhl. ex Willd.) DC., SEWPLB 497

Desmodium glabellum (Michx.) DC., GW 2337

Desmodium paniculatum DC., MM 7189

Erythrina herbacea L., SEWP 4121

Galactia volubilis (L.) Britton, LB 32489

Glottidium vesicarium (Jacq.) Harper, SEWP 43

**Kummerowia striata* (Thunb.) Schlindler, LBSH 32128

- **Lespedeza cuneata* (Dum-Cours.) Harper, SEWP 348
Lespedeza virginica (L.) Britton, LB 32808
**Medicago lupulina* L., LB 31941
Mimosa hystricina (Small ex Britton & Rose) B.L. Turner, LBSH 32119
Rhynchosia latifolia Nutt., LBRH 32050
Strophostyles umbellata (Muhl. ex Willd.) Britton, SEWP 347; LBSH 32118; LB 32809
Stylosanthes biflora (L.) Britton, Sterns, & Poggenb., SEWP 235
**Trifolium campestre* Schreb., MM 7151; LBSH 32152
**Trifolium incarnatum* L., SW 124
**Trifolium lappaceum* L., LB 32172
Wisteria frutescens (L.) Poir., LB 31999
**Wisteria sinensis* (Sims) Sweet, SW 131
**Vicia sativa* L. subsp. *nigra* (L.) Ehrhart, LB 32002; MM 7665
- Fagaceae**
Castanea pumila (L.) Mill., SEWP 408; LB 33021
Fagus grandifolia Ehrh., SW 09; MM 7075
Quercus alba L., SW 06; MM 7077
Quercus falcata Michx., SW 52; MM 7108
Quercus hemisphaerica Bartr. ex Willd., SW 54, 55; LB 33028; MM 7089
Quercus laurifolia Michx., SEWP 344
Quercus margareta Ashe ex Small, SEWP 424
Quercus michauxii Nutt., MM 7229; SW 44a
Quercus nigra L., MM 7085
Quercus phellos L., SEWP 484
Quercus velutina Lam., LBRH 32084
- Gentianaceae**
+*Bartonia texana* Correll, SEWP 340; LB 33010
**Centaurea pulchellum* (Sw.) Druce, SW 108
Sabatia campestris Nutt., LB 32169
- Geraniaceae**
Geranium carolinianum L., WP 118
- Grossulariaceae**
Itea virginica L., SEWP 403a; LB 32024, 32784; MM 7660
- Haloragaceae**
Proserpinaca palustris L., SEWP 489
- Hammamelidaceae**
Hamamelis vernalis Sarg., MM 7054
Hamamelis virginiana L., MM 7217; GW 2289
Liquidambar styraciflua L., MM 7053
- Hypericaceae**
Hypericum drummondii (Grev. & Hook.) Torr. & A. Gray, GW 2259; LBJL 32617
Hypericum galiodes Lam., MM 7207; GW 2257
Hypericum gentianoides (L.) Britton, Sterns, & Poggenb., LB-SEWP 31896; SW 95
Hypericum hypericoides (L.) Crantz, SW 73; MM 7220; LBRH 32063; LBJL 32599
Hypericum mutilum L., SW 66, 25
Triadenum walteri (J.G. Gmel.) Gleason, SW 35, 85
- Iridaceae**
Sisyrinchium campestre E.P. Bicknell, SEWP 543
Sisyrinchium sagittiferum E.P. Bicknell, LB 31952
Sisyrinchium rosulatum E.P. Bicknell, LB 32011; MM 7684, 7680; SW 114

- Juglandaceae**
Carya aquatica (Michx. f.) Nutt., SEWP 495
Carya texana Buckley, SEWP 412
Carya tomentosa (Lam. ex Poir.) Nutt., SW 28
- Juncaceae**
Juncus acuminatus Michx., LB 32005; LBRH 32069; LBSH 32142a
Juncus anthelatus (Wiegand) R.L. Brooks, LB 31997
Juncus coriaceus Mack., SW 40
Juncus diffusissimus Buckley, LBRH 32070, 32077; LBSH 32123; LB 32473
Juncus effusus L., LB 31938
Juncus marginatus Rostk., MM 7130; LBRH 32049
Juncus repens Michx., SEWP 355
Juncus scirpoides Lam., LB 32799
Juncus tenuis Willd., LB 32020
Juncus validus Coville, MM 7167; LBRH 32088
Luzula bulbosa (A.W. Wood) Smyth, LB 31935
- Lamiaceae**
Hyptis alata (Raf.) Shinners, SEWP 404
Lycopus rubellus Moench, SEWP 398
Lycopus virginicus L., MM 7227; SW 80; LB 32797
Monarda citriodora Cerv. ex Lag., MM 7203
Monarda punctata L. var. *punctata*, LB 32492
**Perilla frutescens* (L.) Britton, SEWP 267
Prunella vulgaris L., MM 7160
Pycnanthemum albescens Torr. & A. Gray, SEWP 499
Pycnanthemum tenuifolium Schrad., LB 32176
Salvia lyrata L., MM 7096
Scutellaria elliptica Muhl. ex Spreng., SEWP 239; LB 32013
Scutellaria integrifolia L., LBRH 32043
Stachys crenata Raf., LB 32008
Teucrium cubense Jacq., SW 69; MM 7157
Trichostema dichotomum L., SW 77; LB 33020
- Lauraceae**
Persea borbonia (L.) Spreng., SW 08, MM 7088
Persea palustris (Raf.) Sarg., SEWP 480; LB 32785
Sassafras albidum (Nutt.) Nees, SEWP 241
- Liliaceae**
Hypoxis curtissii Rose, SW 39, 97, 82; LBJL 32594
Lilium michauxii Poir., LBSH 32136
Nothoscordum bivalve (L.) Britton, MM 7216; LB 33022
- Linaceae**
Linum medium (Planch.) Britton var. *texanum* (Planch.) Fernald, MM 7142
Linum striatum Walter, MM 7174; LBSH 32146
- Loganiaceae**
Gelsemium sempervirens (L.) Aiton f., SW 07; MM 7067; LB 33008
Mitreola petiolata (J.F. Gmel.) Torr. & A. Gray, SW 75; LB 32802
- Lygodiaceae**
**Lygodium japonicum* (Thunb. ex Murray) Sw., SW 87; MM 7072
- Lythraceae**
**Cuphea carthagrenensis* (Jacq.) J.F. Macbr., SW 30; WRC 11400

**Cuphea glutinosa* Cham. & Schlecht., LB 3246
Rotala ramosior (L.) Koehne, LB 32789

Magnoliaceae

Magnolia grandiflora L., MM 7061
Magnolia virginiana L., SW 15

Malvaceae

Sida rhombifolia L., MM 7171

Melastomataceae

Rhexia mariana L., MM 7149

Meliaceae

**Melia azedarach* L., SEWPLB 504

Moraceae

Maclura pomifera (Raf.) C.K. Schneid., GW 2296
Morus rubra L., SEWP 266; MM 7134

Myricaceae

Morella caroliniensis (Mill.) Small, SW 21; MM 7090; LBSH 32121

Morella cerifera (L.) Small, LB 32790

Oleaceae

Chionanthus virginicus L., SEWP 409
Fraxinus americana L., MM 7213, 7063; GW 2252; SW 113
Fraxinus caroliniana Mill., SEWP 361; LB 32786
Fraxinus pennsylvanica Marsh., LB 32795
*i*Ligustrum sinense* Lour., MM 7146

Onagraceae

Ludwigia alternifolia L., SEWP 261, 236; LB 32168
Ludwigia decurrens Walter, GW 2333; LB 32801
Ludwigia glandulosa Walter, SEWP 401
Ludwigia leptocarpa (Nutt.) Hara, SEWP 358
Ludwigia pilosa Walter, SEWP 406; LB 32796, 33017
Ludwigia palustris (L.) Elliott, LB 31993
Oenothera biennis L., SEWP 392
Oenothera laciniata Torr. & A. Gray, LBRH 32052; SW 106
Oenothera linifolia Nutt., LBRH 32056

Ophioglossaceae

Botrychium biternatum (Sav.) Underwood, SW 78

Orchidaceae

Spiranthes praecox (Walter) S. Watson., SW 41; LBRH 32066, 32081
Spiranthes vernalis Engelm. & A. Gray, SW 121
Tipularia discolor (Pursh) Nutt., MM 7219, 7091; LBJL 32598

Orobanchaceae

Epifagus virginiana (L.) W. Bart., SW 90

Osmundaceae

Osmunda cinnamomea L., SW 23
Osmunda regalis L. var. *spectabilis* (Willd.) A. Gray, SW 13

Oxalidaceae

Oxalis corniculata L. var. *wrightii* (A. Gray) Turner, MM 7095; LB 31951; SW 117
*i*Oxalis debilis* Kunth var. *corymbosa* (DC.) Lourteig, MM 7664

Passifloraceae

Passiflora lutea L., MM 7060

Phytolaccaceae

Phytolacca americana L., MM 7110

Pinaceae

Pinus echinata Mill., SEWP 437
Pinus taeda L., MM 7093

Plantaginaceae

Plantago virginica L., MM 7094; LBRH 32079

Platanaceae

Platanus occidentalis L., SEWP 363

Poaceae

Agrostis hyemalis (Walter) Britton, Sterns & Poggenb., LBRH 32085; MM 7675

**Aira caryophyllea* L. var. *capillaris* Mutel, LBRH 32054
Andropogon glomeratus (Walter) Britton, Sterns, & Poggenb., MM 7196

Andropogon virginicus L., SW 101

Aristida purpurascens Poir. var. *purpurascens*, MM 7191; LB 33037, 33041

Arundinaria gigantea (Walter) Muhl., MM 7172

Axonopus fissifolius (Raddi) Kuhlm., LBRH 32076

**Bothriochloa ischaemum* (L.) Keng var. *songarica* (Fish. & Mey) Celarier & Harlan, LB 33018

**Briza minor* L., SW 62; MM 7152

**Bromus catharticus* Vahl, LBRH 32072; MM 7658

Chasmanthium laxum (L.) H.O. Yates, MM 7104

Chasmanthium sessiliflorum (Poir.) H.O. Yates, SEWPLB 498

**Cynodon dactylon* (L.) Pers., SEWP 246

Dichanthelium aciculare (Desv. ex Poir.) Gould & C.A. Clark var. *aciculare*, LB 32459, 33000

Dichanthelium acuminatum (Sw.) Gould & C.A. Clark var. *acuminatum*, LBRH 32089; LBSH 32142

Dichanthelium boscii (L.) Gould & C.A. Clark, MM 7165; LB 31990, 32180

Dichanthelium commutatum (Schult.) Gould subsp. *commutatum* LBSEWP 31891; LB 31949

Dichanthelium dichotomum (L.) Gould subsp. *dichotomum*, SEWP 332; MM 7137, 7071; LBSH 32134

Dichanthelium dichotomum (L.) Gould subsp. *microcarpon* (Muhl. ex Elliott) Freckman & Lelong, LBRH 32083; LB 32171

Dichanthelium dichotomum (L.) Gould subsp. *roanokense* (Ashe) Freckman & Lelong, LBSH 32131

Dichanthelium laxiflorum (Lam.) Gould, LBSEWP 31890

Dichanthelium oligosanthes (Schult.) Gould var. *oligosanthes*, LB 32018, 32471; LBRH 32064

Dichanthelium polyanthes (Schult.) Mohlenbr., MM 7136

Dichanthelium scabriusculum (Elliott) Gould & C.A. Clark, LBRH 32086

Dichanthelium scoparium (Lam.) Gould, MM 7218; LB 33005

Dichanthelium tenuie (Muhl.) Freckmann & Lelong, LBRH 32044; LBSH 32138, 32123a, 32121a

Digitaria ciliaris (Retz.) Koel., GW 2330; LB 32476, 32458

**Digitaria ischaemum* (Schreb.) Muhl., MM 7232

**Eleusine indica* (L.) Gaertn., SEWP 248

Elymus virginicus L., LB 32177

Eragrostis hirsuta (Michx.) Nees, LB 33040

Eragrostis refracta (Muhl.) Scribn., MM 7230

Eragrostis spectabilis (Pursh) Steud., LB 33025

Hordeum pusillum Nutt., LB 32010
Leersia virginica Willd., LBSEWP 31892; MM 7195
**Lolium perenne* L., LBRH 32073
Melica mutica Walter, MM 7168
Oplismenus hirtellus (L.) P. Beauv. subsp. *setarius* (Lam.) Mez ex Ekman, SEWPLB 483
Panicum anceps Michx., LB 32485
Panicum brachyanthum Steud., MM 7201
Panicum rigidulum Bosc ex Nees, SEWP 396
Panicum verrucosum Muhl., MM 7193; WRC 11402; LB 33006
**Paspalum dilatatum* Poir., LB 32463
Paspalum langei (E. Fourn.) Nash, SEWPLB 494
**Paspalum notatum* Fluegge, MM 7158
Paspalum plicatulum Michx., SW 64; MM 7190
Paspalum setaceum Michx., LB 32478
**Paspalum urvillei* Steud., MM 7202; SW 70; GW 2328
Phalaris caroliniana Walter, LBSH 32144
Piptochaetium avenaceum (L.) Parodi, LB 31992
**Poa annua* L., WP 117
**Sacciolepis indica* (L.) Chase, LBSEWP 31897; SW 04; WRC 11401
**Schedonorus arundinaceus* (Schreb.) Dumort., LB 32003
Schizachyrium scoparium (Michx.) Nash, LB 32803
Sphenopholis intermedia (Rydb.) Rydb., LB 31985; MM 7656
Sphenopholis obtusata (Michx.) Scribn., LBSH 32145
Sporobolus indicus (L.) R. Br., SW 102; GW 2329
Tridens flavus (L.) Hitchc. var. *flavus*, SW 103
Vulpia octoflora (Walter) Rydb., LBRH 32057

Polygalaceae

Polygala mariana Mill., LBJL 32615
Polygala polygama L., LBRH 32045

Polygonaceae

Brunnichia ovata (Walter) Shinners, SEWP 402a
Polygonum punctatum Elliott., SEWPLB 485
Rumex hastatulus Baldw., LBRH 32055

Polypodiaceae

Pleopeltis polypodioides Andrews & Windham subsp. *michauiana* (Weatherby) Andrews & Windham, GW 53; MM 7105; SEWP 402b; SW 81

Primulaceae

**Anagallis arvensis* L., MM 7657
Samolus valerandi L. subsp. *parviflorus* (Raf.) Hulten, LBSEWP 31888

Rhamnaceae

Berchemia scandens (Hill) K. Koch, MM 7057
Frangula caroliniana (Walter) A. Gray, MM 7082; LB 33026

Rosaceae

Crataegus marshallii Egglest., MM 7156
Crataegus opaca Hook. & Arn. ex Hook., LBSH 32135
Crataegus spathulata Michx., MM 7166, 7064
**Duchesnea indica* (Andr.) Focke, MM 7215
Prunus caroliniana (Mill.) Aiton, MM 7068
Prunus serotina Ehrh., SEWP 426
Rubus argutus Link, SEWPLB 482
Rubus trivialis Michx., MM 7144

Rubiaceae

Cephalanthus occidentalis L., MM 7154
Diodia teres Walter, SEWP 234
Diodia virginiana L., SEWP 237
Galium pilosum Aiton, SEWPLB 492
Houstonia pusilla Schoepf., LB 31933
Mitchella repens L., MM 7066
Oldenlandia boscii (DC.) Chapm., SEWP 364; GW 2256; LB 31945
Oldenlandia uniflora L., SEWPLB 486; LB 32810, 32999
**Richardia scabra* L., SEWP 394; MM 7682, SW 107
**Sherardia arvensis* L., WP 114
Stenaria nigricans (Lam.) Terrell, SEWP 233

Saururaceae

Saururus cernuus L., MM 7132

Scrophulariaceae

Bacopa monnieri (L.) Pennell, SEWP 243; MM 7681; SW 112
Gratiola pilosa Michx., LB 32021
Gratiola virginiana L., LB 31938
**Lindernia crustacea* (L.) F. Muell., LB 33014
Lindernia dubia (L.) Penn., LB 32788
Mecardonia acuminata (Walter) Small, SW 76; MM 7223; PM 01; LB 32788
Micranthemum umbrosum (J.G. Gmel.) Blake, SEWP 352; MM 7667
Mimulus alatus Aiton, LB 32787
Nuttallanthus texana (Scheele) Sutton, LB 31944; LBRH 32062
Scoparia dulcis L., MM 7221; SW 79; GW 3360a, 2254
**Veronica arvensis* L., LB 31940

Smilacaceae

Smilax bona-nox L., SEWP 268
Smilax glauca Walter, MM 7145
Smilax laurifolia L., SEWP 417; SW 24
Smilax pumila Walter, MM 7115, 7070
Smilax rotundifolia L., SEWP 274
Smilax smallii Morong, MM 7086

Solanaceae

Solanum carolinense L., MM 7173; LBRH 32068

Symplocaceae

Symplocos tinctoria (L.) L. Her., MM 7116, 7113

Styraceae

Halesia diptera Ellis, SEWPLB 505
Styrax americanus Lam., SW 04

Thelypteridaceae

Thelypteris kunthii (Desv.) C.V. Morton, LB 32480

Ulmaceae

Celtis laevigata Willd., GW 2335
Ulmus alata Michx., SW 56; GW 2334
Ulmus americana L., SEWPLB 493

Urticaceae

Boehmeria cylindrica (L.) Sw., MM 7208; SW 37; LB 3021

Valerianaceae

Valerianella radiata (L.) Dufr., WP 115

Valerianella radiata (L.) Dufr. f. *parviflora* (Dyal) Egg. Ware,
LBRH 32053

Verbenaceae

Callicarpa americana L., MM 7084
**Glandularia pulchella* (Sweet) Troncoso, SEWP 256
Phyla nodiflora (L.) Greene, SW 94
**Verbena brasiliensis* Vell., SEWP 258
Verbena halei Small, MM 7143
**Verbena rigida* Spreng., SEWP 257

Violaceae

Viola lanceolata L., MM 7092; LB 33013
Viola palmata L., MM 7159; GW 2295; PM 05

Viola primulifolia L., SW 11
Viola sagittata Aiton, GW 2292
Viola sororia Willd., GW 2294; LB 31986

Vitaceae

Ampelopsis arborea (L.) Koehne, SW 29
Parthenocissus quinquefolia (L.) Planch., SEWP 250
Vitis aestivalis Michx., MM 7079; GW 2428
Vitis rotundifolia Michx., MM 7055

Xyridaceae

Xyris difformis Chapm. var. *diformis*, LBSEWP 31893, 31898;
MM 7204, 7237
+*Xyris jupicai* L.C. Rich., SEWP 419, 354, 328; LB 32462

ADDENDUM

Isotria verticillata (whorled pogonia) and sugar maple (probably either *Acer barbatum* or *Acer leucoderme*) are listed for the unit on the Beechwoods Trail Guide, a mimeographed guide available at the trail entrance, but we failed to collect them during our two- year field survey, and could not find herbarium material of same. Geraldine Watson (2006) also indicated that sugar maple (*Acer barbatum*) is making a remarkable recovery in this unit with the removal of cattle grazing.

NOTES

Carex section ovales. The specimen in this collection was too immature for specific identification. The only other *Carex* in section *ovales* was *C. brevior*. Perhaps this was an immature *C. brevior*.

Bartonia texana. Currently Beech Creek is the only Big Thicket unit to have this rare Texas endemic. We made two collections, one in a sphagnum mat along the Beechwoods Trail, and one far from any trail, near the intersection of Beech Creek with Little Beech Creek.

Bradburia pilosa. We are following Semple (2006). An equally correct name is *Chrysopsis pilosa* Nutt.

Rhynchospora debilis. This is the third collection for Texas and the first for the Pineywoods. See Brown et al. (2007) for additional information.

Xyris jupicai. There is no consensus as to the native or introduced status of this yellow-eyed-grass.

DISCUSSION

There are 103 families and 229 genera represented for the 470 taxa (418 native) on the Beech Creek Unit list. Eight families: Poaceae (59 taxa), Asteraceae (53 taxa), Cyperaceae (40 taxa), Fabaceae (26 taxa), Lamiaceae (15 taxa), Euphorbiaceae (13 taxa), Scrophulariaceae (11 taxa), and Juncaceae (11 taxa) account for 48.9% of the taxa collected. The largest genera are: *Carex* (15 taxa), *Dichanthelium* (13 taxa), *Rhynchospora* (11 taxa), *Juncus* (10 taxa), *Quercus* (9 taxa), and *Cyperus* (7 taxa).

While it is the case that our list is incomplete, as are all floras, and that a few taxa reported here may no longer exist on the unit, specimens of most taxa that have grown in the Beech Creek Unit during the past quarter century have been collected (probably 95+ %). We estimate that the Beech Creek Unit has about 425 to 450 native species/taxa.

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